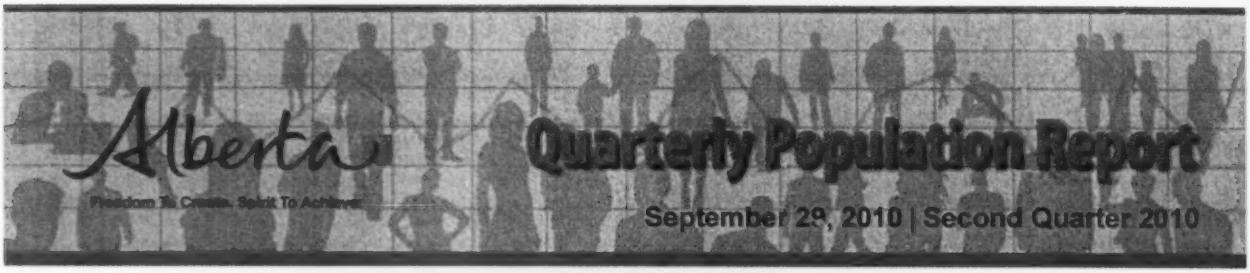

*** Please note that Statistics Canada has revised some historical figures back to Third Quarter of 2006.**

Population Estimates

For the year ending July 1, 2010, Alberta's population grew by 1.37%, a much slower growth than the previous twelve months of 2.21% and the lowest in 15 years (1995 at 1.26%). Alberta had the third fastest growing population among the provinces after Saskatchewan and British Columbia. On a quarterly basis, however, Alberta's population grew 0.50%, the fastest among the provinces.

Table 1 presents the population estimates and yearly growth rates for Alberta and Canada since July 1, 2006. As of July 1, 2010, Alberta's population was estimated to be 3,720,946, an increase of 50,204 persons from the previous year. Although the province's population continued to grow faster than Canada as a whole, the gap (0.22%) has narrowed significantly compared to recent years.

TABLE 1: POPULATION AND GROWTH RATES

	Population			Yearly Growth Rate	
July 1	Canada	Alberta	July 1	Canada	Alberta
2006	32,576,074	3,421,253	2006	1.03%	2.98%
2007	32,929,733	3,512,691	2007	1.09%	2.67%
2008	33,315,976	3,591,391	2008	1.17%	2.24%
2009	33,720,184	3,670,742	2009	1.21%	2.21%
2010	34,108,752	3,720,946	2010	1.15%	1.37%

Source: Statistics Canada

Table 2 presents population estimates for July 1, 2010 for all provinces and territories and the yearly growth rates since July 1, 2009. As revealed in this table, the three provinces with the highest growth rate since July 1, 2009 were Saskatchewan (1.60%), British Columbia (1.58), and Alberta (1.37%).

Migration

In the second quarter of 2010 (April 1 to June 30), Alberta had a moderate gain of 2,820 persons in interprovincial migration following a slight rebound of 312 in the previous quarter (See Tables 3 and 4). During this quarter, over half of Alberta's interprovincial migration gains came from Ontario. The net inflow of 1,562 migrants from Ontario more than offset the net outflows of migrants to British Columbia (-287) and Saskatchewan (-23) combined. In the second quarter, the top three sending as well as receiving provinces for Alberta's interprovincial migrants were British Columbia, followed by Ontario and Saskatchewan.

Between April and June, 2010, the quarterly net inflow of international migrants to Alberta remained very strong (8,035 in Table 4). The total number of immigrants landed in Alberta hit a record high level of 9,686 in the second quarter of 2010 as Canada continued to receive more international migrants. However, the number of non-permanent residents declined by 753 due to weak employment prospects in Alberta in the first half of 2010.

Natural Increase

Between April 1 and June 30 of 2010, Alberta had a natural increase (births minus deaths) of 8,436 people. The province had 13,755 births and 5,319 deaths in the second quarter. Alberta had the highest proportion of natural increase among the provinces, which contributed almost half of the quarterly population growth.

TABLE 2: POPULATION OF PROVINCES/TERRITORIES AS OF JULY 1, 2010 & GROWTH RATES SINCE JULY 1, 2009

	NL.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B.C.	Y.T.	N.W.T.	NVT.
Population	509,739	142,266	942,506	751,755	7,907,375	13,210,667	1,235,412	1,045,622	3,720,946	4,530,960	34,525	43,759	33,220
Growth Rate	0.31%	0.83%	0.36%	0.32%	1.01%	1.12%	1.30%	1.60%	1.37%	1.58%	2.59%	0.20%	3.19%

Source: Statistics Canada

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TABLE 3: ORIGIN & DESTINATION OF INTERPROVINCIAL MIGRANTS
APRIL 1 TO JUNE 30, 2010

	Destination												
Origine	**Nfld.**	**P.E.I.**	**N.S.**	**N.B.**	**QUE.**	**ONT.**	**MAN.**	**SASK.**	**AB.**	**B.C.**	**Y.T.**	**NWT**	**NVT.**
Nfld and Lab.	0	34	402	215	53	783	53	25	1,214	118	18	12	8
Prince Edward I.	18	0	311	89	136	476	0	42	165	77	0	0	0
Nova Scotia	232	115	0	745	254	1,491	85	87	1,385	356	7	42	53
New Brunswick	67	103	730	0	447	881	102	93	590	247	0	0	0
Quebec	135	146	199	596	0	5,515	255	350	1,252	1,063	31	24	51
Ontario	961	485	1,847	1,000	4,580	0	1,511	1,354	6,633	5,427	96	139	228
Manitoba	51	26	84	39	119	1,750	0	774	1,410	1,348	3	0	0
Saskatchewan	0	36	76	33	68	790	624	0	3,194	1,056	22	12	28
Alberta	727	86	822	536	1,011	5,071	1,231	3,217	0	7,259	114	184	5
British Columbia	222	85	477	129	934	4,381	821	907	6,972	0	202	112	14
Yukon Territory	0	11	0	16	12	139	31	36	45	161	0	25	0
Northwest Terr.	48	0	10	0	55	123	43	70	223	106	54	0	12
Nunavut Terr.	22	0	0	12	0	115	0	11	0	0	13	65	0
	Nfld.	**P.E.I.**	**N.S.**	**N.B.**	**QUE.**	**ONT.**	**MAN.**	**SASK.**	**AB.**	**B.C.**	**Yukon**	**NWT.**	**NVT.**
In Migration	**2,483**	**1,127**	**4,958**	**3,410**	**7,669**	**21,515**	**4,756**	**6,966**	**23,083**	**17,218**	**560**	**615**	**399**
Out Migration	**2,935**	**1,314**	**4,852**	**3,260**	**9,617**	**24,261**	**5,604**	**5,939**	**20,263**	**15,256**	**476**	**744**	**238**
Net Migration	**-452**	**-187**	**106**	**150**	**-1,948**	**-2,746**	**-848**	**1,027**	**2,820**	**1,962**	**84**	**-129**	**161**

Source: Statistics Canada

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Table 4: Alberta Migration by Quarter

Quarter	Interprovincial Migration			International Migration					Total	NPR*	Total+NPR
	In	Out	Net Interprovincial	Immigrants	Emigrants	Net Temporary Emigrants	Returning Emigrants	Net International Migration	Total Net Migration	Net Non-Permanent Residents	Net Migration including Net NPR
2006											
Jan-Mar	23,163	10,843	**12,320**	4,727	1,033	519	536	**3,711**	**16,031**	1,546	**17,577**
Apr-Jun	22,820	13,308	**9,512**	5,445	1,170	549	885	**4,611**	**14,123**	2,210	**16,333**
Jul-Sep	34,456	17,727	**16,729**	5,714	2,491	714	2,266	**4,775**	**21,504**	2,795	**24,299**
Oct-Dec	20,628	12,950	**7,678**	4,832	1,382	524	629	**3,555**	**11,233**	1,232	**12,465**
Total	*101,067*	*54,828*	***46,239***	*20,718*	*6,076*	*2,306*	*4,316*	***16,652***	***62,891***	***7,783***	***70,674***
2007											
Jan-Mar	18,625	13,900	**4,725**	4,015	1,237	500	645	**2,923**	**7,648**	4,227	**11,875**
Apr-Jun	21,947	17,270	**4,677**	5,595	1,637	568	1137	**4,527**	**9,204**	5,840	**15,044**
Jul-Sep	26,228	24,023	**2,205**	6,171	3,362	734	1,079	**3,154**	**5,359**	4,672	**10,031**
Oct-Dec	15,614	13,579	**2,035**	5,085	1,913	542	452	**3,082**	**5,117**	2,568	**7,685**
Total	*82,414*	*68,772*	***13,642***	*20,866*	*8,149*	*2,344*	*3,313*	***13,686***	***27,328***	***17,307***	***44,635***
2008											
Jan-Mar	18,572	14,710	**3,862**	5,352	1,553	494	487	**3,792**	**7,654**	4,037	**11,691**
Apr-Jun	24,023	16,808	**7,215**	7,196	1,867	536	820	**5,613**	**12,828**	7,334	**20,162**
Jul-Sep	22,732	20,075	**2,657**	6,455	3,375	729	1,079	**3,430**	**6,087**	7,605	**13,692**
Oct-Dec	15,137	11,026	**4,111**	5,201	1,959	544	452	**3,150**	**7,261**	4,532	**11,793**
Total	*80,464*	*62,619*	***17,845***	*24,204*	*8,754*	*2,303*	*2,838*	***15,985***	***33,830***	***23,508***	***57,338***
2009											
Jan-Mar	18,711	14,026	**4,685**	5,764	1,598	497	487	**4,156**	**8,841**	4,544	**13,385**
Apr-Jun	18,658	16,927	**1,731**	7,739	1,921	539	820	**6,099**	**7,830**	2,481	**10,311**
Jul-Sep	20,790	23,325	**-2,535**	7,585	3,447	732	1,079	**4,485**	**1,950**	2,386	**4,336**
Oct-Dec	12,124	14,904	**-2,780**	5,929	1,973	543	452	**3,865**	**1,085**	*-1,663*	**-578**
Total	*70,283*	*69,182*	***1,101***	*27,017*	*8,939*	*2,311*	*2,838*	***18,605***	***19,706***	***7,748***	***27,454***
2010											
Jan-Mar	19,340	19,028	**312**	6,761	1,605	495	487	**5,148**	**5,460**	-47	**5,413**
Apr-Jun	23,083	20,263	**2,820**	9,686	1,934	537	820	**8,035**	**10,855**	-753	**10,102**
Jul-Sep	n/a	n/a	**n/a**	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	**n/a**	**n/a**	n/a	**n/a**
Oct-Dec	n/a	n/a	**n/a**	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	**n/a**	**n/a**	*n/a*	**n/a**
Total	*42,423*	*39,291*	***3,132***	*16,447*	*3,539*	*1,032*	*1,307*	***13,183***	***16,315***	***-800***	***15,515***

* Estimates of non-permanent residents (NPRs) represent the number of non-permanent residents living in Canada. The five following groups are referred to as NPRs: (1) persons residing in Canada claiming refugee status; (2) persons residing in Canada who hold a study permit; (3) persons residing in Canada who hold a work permit; (4) persons residing in Canada who hold a Minister's permit; (5) all non-Canadian born dependants of persons claiming refugee status, or of persons holding study permits, work permits or Minister's permits and living in Canada.

Source: Statistics Canada

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